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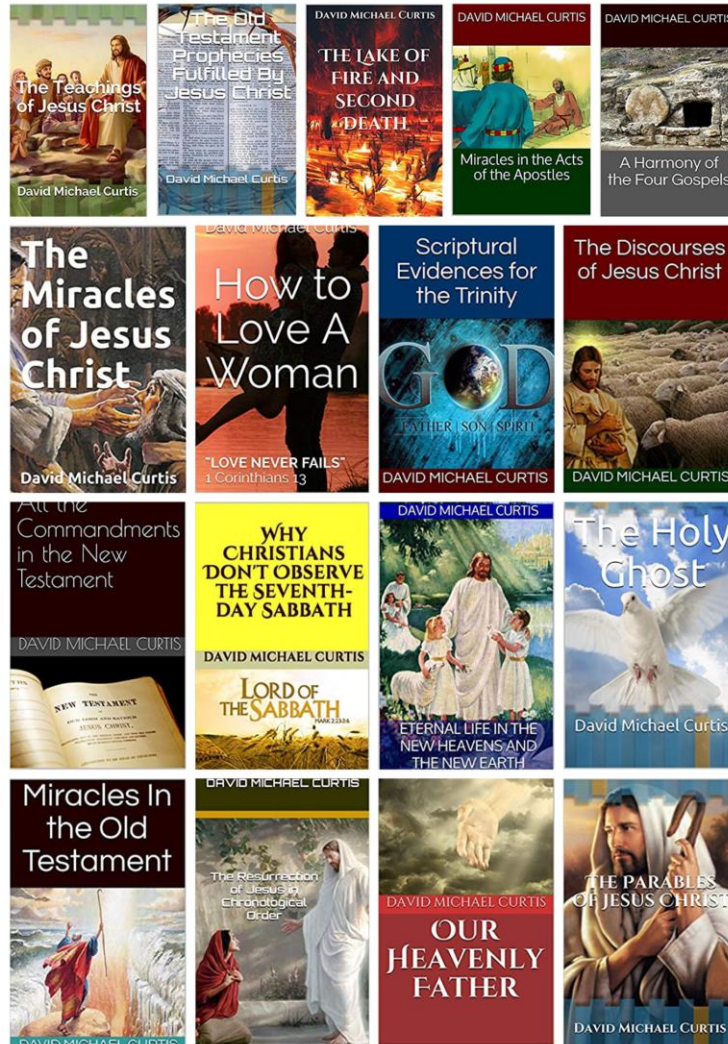
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My books use the Bible as its own interpreter, providing all the verses on whichever doctrine is being studied, topically arranged, without commentary. Christ is the only Teacher you need. He promised that you would know the truth, and the truth would set you free.

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Facts About God, the Father

1. God is self-existent.

Exodus 3:13-14. And Moses said unto God, Behold, when I come unto the children of Israel, and shall say unto them, The God of your fathers hath sent me unto you; and they shall say to me, What is his name? what shall I say unto them? And God said unto Moses, I AM THAT I AM: and he said, Thus shalt thou say unto the children of Israel, I AM hath sent me unto you.

2. God is self-sufficient.

Psalms 50:10-12. For every beast of the forest is mine, and the cattle upon a thousand hills. I know all the fowls of the mountains: and the wild beasts of the field are mine. If I were hungry, I would not tell thee: for the world is mine, and the fulness thereof.

3. God is eternal.

Deuteronomy 33:27. The eternal God is thy refuge, and underneath are the everlasting arms: and he shall thrust out the enemy from before thee; and shall say, Destroy them.

Psalms 90:2. Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever thou hadst formed the earth and the world, even from everlasting to everlasting, thou art God.

4. God is infinite.

Jeremiah 23:24. Can any hide himself in secret places that I shall not see him? saith the LORD. Do not I fill heaven and earth? saith the LORD.

1 Kings 8:22-27. ¶ And Solomon stood before the altar of the LORD in the presence of all the congregation of Israel, and spread forth his hands toward heaven: **And he said, LORD God of Israel, there is no God like thee, in heaven above, or on earth beneath, who keepest covenant and mercy with thy servants that walk before thee with all their heart:** Who hast kept with thy servant David my father that thou promisedst him: thou spakest also with thy mouth, and hast fulfilled it with thine hand, as it is this day. Therefore now, LORD God of Israel, keep with thy servant David my father that thou promisedst him, saying, **There shall not fail thee a man in my sight to sit on the throne of Israel;** so that thy children take heed to their way, that they walk before me as thou hast walked before me. **And now, O God of Israel, let thy word, I pray thee, be verified, which thou spakest unto thy servant David my father. But will God indeed dwell on the earth? behold, the heaven and heaven of heavens cannot contain thee; how much less this house that I have builded?**

5. God is omnipresent.

Psalms 139:7-12. ¶ Whither shall I go from thy spirit? or whither shall I flee from thy presence? If I ascend up into heaven, thou art there: if I make my bed in hell, behold, thou art there. If I take the wings of the morning, and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea; Even there shall thy hand lead me, and thy right hand shall hold me. If I say, Surely the darkness shall cover me; even the night shall be light about me. Yea, the darkness hideth not from thee; but the night shineth as the day: the darkness and the light are both alike to thee.

6. God is omnipotent.

Genesis 18:14. Is any thing too hard for the LORD? At the time appointed I will return unto thee, according to the time of life, and Sarah shall have a son.

Revelation 19:6. And I heard as it were the voice of a great multitude, and as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of mighty thunderings, saying, Alleluia: for the Lord God omnipotent reigneth.

7. God is omniscient.

Psalms 139:2-6. Thou knowest my downsitting and mine uprising, thou understandest my thought afar off. Thou compasses my path and my lying down, and art acquainted with all my ways. For there is not a word in my tongue, but, lo, O LORD, thou knowest it altogether. Thou hast beset me behind and before, and laid thine hand upon me. Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is high, I cannot attain unto it.

Isaiah 40:13-14. Who hath directed the Spirit of the LORD, or being his counsellor hath taught him? With whom took he counsel, and who instructed him, and taught him in the path of judgment, and taught him knowledge, and shewed to him the way of understanding?

8. God is wise.

Proverbs 3:19. The LORD by wisdom hath founded the earth; by understanding hath he established the heavens.

1 Timothy 1:17. Now unto the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only wise God, be honour and glory for ever and ever. Amen.

9. God is immutable.

Hebrews 1:10-12. And, Thou, Lord, in the beginning hast laid the foundation of the earth; and the heavens are the works of thine hands: They shall perish; but thou remainest; and they all shall wax old as doth a garment; And as a vesture shalt thou fold them up, and they shall be changed: but thou art the same, and thy years shall not fail.

Hebrews 13:8. Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and to day, and for ever.

10. God is sovereign.

Isaiah 46:9-11. Remember the former things of old: for I am God, and there is none else; I am God, and there is none like me, Declaring the end from the beginning, and from ancient times the things that are not yet done, saying, My counsel shall stand, and I will do all my pleasure: Calling a ravenous bird from the east, the man that executeth my counsel from a far country: yea, I have spoken it, I will also bring it to pass; I have purposed it, I will also do it.

11. God is incomprehensible.

Job 11:7-19. ¶ Canst thou by searching find out God? canst thou find out the Almighty unto perfection? It is as high as heaven; what canst thou do? deeper than hell; what canst thou know? The measure thereof is longer than the earth, and broader than the sea. If he cut off, and shut up, or gather together, then who can hinder him? For he knoweth vain men: he seeth wickedness also; will he not then consider it? For vain man would be wise, though man be born like a wild ass's colt. ¶ If thou prepare thine heart, and stretch out thine hands toward him; If iniquity be in thine hand, put it far away, and let not wickedness dwell in thy tabernacles. For then shalt thou lift up thy face without spot; yea, thou shalt be stedfast, and shalt not fear: Because thou shalt forget thy misery, and remember it as waters that pass away: And thine age shall be clearer than the noonday; thou shalt shine forth, thou shalt be as the morning. And thou shalt be secure, because there is hope; yea, thou shalt dig about thee, and thou shalt take thy rest in safety. Also thou shalt lie down, and none shall make thee afraid; yea, many shall make suit unto thee.

Romans 11:33. ¶ O the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God! how unsearchable are his judgments, and his ways past finding out!

12. God is holy.

Leviticus 19:2. Speak unto all the congregation of the children of Israel, and say unto them, Ye shall be holy: for I the LORD your God am holy.

1 Peter 1:15. But as he which hath called you is holy, so be ye holy in all manner of conversation;

13. God is righteous and just.

Psalms 119:137. ¶ TZADDI. Righteous art thou, O LORD, and upright are thy judgments.

14. God is true.

John 17:3. And this is life eternal, that they might know thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom thou hast sent.

Titus 1:1-2. ¶ Paul, a servant of God, and an apostle of Jesus Christ, according to the faith of God's elect, and the acknowledging of the truth which is after godliness; In hope of eternal life, which God, that cannot lie, promised before the world began;

15. God is faithful.

Deuteronomy 7:9. Know therefore that the LORD thy God, he is God, the faithful God, which keepeth covenant and mercy with them that love him and keep his commandments to a thousand generations;

Psalm 89:1-2. ¶ Maschil of Ethan the Ezrahite. I will sing of the mercies of the LORD for ever: with my mouth will I make known thy faithfulness to all generations. For I have said, Mercy shall be built up for ever: thy faithfulness shalt thou establish in the very heavens.

16. God is light.

James 1:17. Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning.

1 John 1:5. ¶ This then is the message which we have heard of him, and declare unto you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all.

17. God is good.

Psalm 107:8. Oh that men would praise the LORD for his goodness, and for his wonderful works to the children of men!

18. God is merciful.

Psalm 103:8-17. The LORD is merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and plenteous in mercy. He will not always chide: neither will he keep his anger for ever. He hath not dealt with us after our sins; nor rewarded us according to our iniquities. For as the heaven is high above the earth, so great is his mercy toward them that fear him. As far as the east is from the west, so far hath he removed our transgressions from us. Like as a father pitieth his children, so the LORD pitieth them that fear him. For he knoweth our frame; he remembereth that we are dust. As for man, his days are as grass: as a flower of the field, so he flourisheth. For the wind passeth over it, and it is gone; and the place thereof shall know it no more. But the mercy of the LORD is from everlasting to everlasting upon them that fear him, and his righteousness unto children's children;

19. God is gracious.

Psalm 111:4. He hath made his wonderful works to be remembered: the LORD is gracious and full of compassion.

1 Peter 5:10. ¶ But the God of all grace, who hath called us unto his eternal glory by Christ Jesus, after that ye have suffered a while, make you perfect, stablish, strengthen, settle you.

20. God is love.

John 3:16. For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

Romans 5:8. But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.

21. God is Spirit.

John 4:24. God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship *him* in spirit and in truth.

22. God is one.

Deuteronomy 6:4-5. ¶ Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God is one LORD: And thou shalt love the LORD thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy might.

Isaiah 44:6-8. Thus saith the LORD the King of Israel, and his redeemer the LORD of hosts; I am the first, and I am the last; and beside me there is no God. And who, as I, shall call, and shall declare it, and set it in order for me, since I appointed the ancient people? and the things that are coming, and shall come, let them shew unto them. Fear ye not, neither be afraid: have not I told thee from that time, and have declared it? ye are even my witnesses. Is there a God beside me? yea, there is no God; I know not any.

23. God is a Trinity.

Matthew 28:19. Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost:

2 Corinthians 13:14. The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Ghost, be with you all. Amen. The second epistle to the Corinthians was written from Philippi, a city of Macedonia, by Titus and Lucas.

More Facts About God, the Father

1. He is the Father of all life.

Psalms 19:1. ¶ To the chief Musician, A Psalm of David. The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament sheweth his handywork.

Psalms 36:9. For with thee is the fountain of life: in thy light shall we see light.

Psalms 148:2-5. Praise ye him, all his angels: praise ye him, all his hosts. Praise ye him, sun and moon: praise him, all ye stars of light. Praise him, ye heavens of heavens, and ye waters that be above the heavens. Let them praise the name of the LORD: for he commanded, and they were created.

John 5:26. *For as the Father hath life in himself; so hath he given to the Son to have life in himself;*

Acts 17:24-25. God that made the world and all things therein, seeing that he is Lord of heaven and earth, dwelleth not in temples made with hands; Neither is worshipped with men's hands, as though he needed any thing, seeing he giveth to all life, and breath, and all things;

2. He tends and cares for vegetation.

Psalms 104:14. He causeth the grass to grow for the cattle, and herb for the service of man: that he may bring forth food out of the earth;

Psalms 104:16. The trees of the LORD are full of sap; the cedars of Lebanon, which he hath planted;

Matthew 6:28-30. *And why take ye thought for raiment? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they toil not, neither do they spin: And yet I say unto you, That even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. Wherefore, if God so clothe the grass of the field, which to day is, and to morrow is cast into the oven, shall he not much more clothe you, O ye of little faith?*

3. He tends and cares for brute nature.

Psalms 104:14. He causeth the grass to grow for the cattle, and herb for the service of man: that he may bring forth food out of the earth;

Psalms 104:16. The trees of the LORD are full of sap; the cedars of Lebanon, which he hath planted;

Psalms 104:18. The high hills are a refuge for the wild goats; and the rocks for the conies.

Psalms 104:20-27. Thou makest darkness, and it is night: wherein all the beasts of the forest do creep forth. The young lions roar after their prey, and seek their meat from God. The sun ariseth, they gather themselves together, and lay them down in their dens. Man goeth forth unto his work and to his labour until the evening. O LORD, how manifold are thy works! in wisdom hast thou made them all: the earth is full of thy riches. So is this great and wide sea, wherein are things creeping innumerable, both small and great beasts. There go the ships: there is that leviathan, whom thou hast made to play therein. These wait all upon thee; that thou mayest give them their meat in due season.

Matthew 6:26. *Behold the fowls of the air: for they sow not, neither do they reap, nor gather into barns; yet your heavenly Father feedeth them. Are ye not much better than they?*

Matthew 10:29. *Are not two sparrows sold for a farthing? and one of them shall not fall on the ground without your Father.*

4. He tends and cares for the weather.

Psalms 135:6-7. Whatsoever the LORD pleased, that did he in heaven, and in earth, in the seas, and all deep places. He causeth the vapours to ascend from the ends of the earth; he maketh lightnings for the rain; he bringeth the wind out of his treasures.

Psalms 147:8. Who covereth the heaven with clouds, who prepareth rain for the earth, who maketh grass to grow upon the mountains.

Psalms 147:16. He giveth snow like wool: he scattereth the hoarfrost like ashes.

Psalms 147:18. He sendeth out his word, and melteth them: he causeth his wind to blow, and the waters flow.

Psalm 148:8. Fire, and hail; snow, and vapour; stormy wind fulfilling his word:

5. He tends and cares for the seasons.

Genesis 8:22. While the earth remaineth, seedtime and harvest, and cold and heat, and summer and winter, and day and night shall not cease.

Acts 14:17. Nevertheless he left not himself without witness, in that he did good, and gave us rain from heaven, and fruitful seasons, filling our hearts with food and gladness.

6. He is the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

John 3:16. For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

7. The Father sent his Son.

John 6:57 As the living Father hath sent me, and I live by the Father: so he that eateth me, even he shall live by me.

John 8:18 I am one that bear witness of myself, and the Father that sent me beareth witness of me.

John 20:21 Then said Jesus to them again, Peace *be* unto you: as *my* Father hath sent me, even so send I you.

Galatians 4:4. But when the fulness of the time was come, God sent forth his Son, made of a woman, made under the law,

1 John 4:14. ¶ And we have seen and do testify that the Father sent the Son to be the Saviour of the world.

John 3:16 For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

John 8:16 And yet if I judge, my judgment is true: for I am not alone, but I and the Father that sent me.

John 12:49 For I have not spoken of myself; but the Father which sent me, he gave me a commandment, what I should say, and what I should speak.

8. The Father commanded the angels to worship his Son.

Hebrews 1:6. And again, when he bringeth in the firstbegotten into the world, he saith, And let all the angels of God worship him.

Luke 2:8-15. ¶ And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them: and they were sore afraid. And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord. And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger. And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying, Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men. And it came to pass, as the angels were gone away from them into heaven, the shepherds said one to another, Let us now go even unto Bethlehem, and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord hath made known unto us.

9. He sealed his Son.

John 6:27 Labour not for the meat which perisheth, but for that meat which endureth unto everlasting life, which the Son of man shall give unto you: for him hath God the Father sealed.

10. He honored and honors his Son.

John 8:54 Jesus answered, If I honour myself, my honour is nothing: it is my Father that honoureth me; of whom ye say, that he is your God:

11. He bore witness to his Son.

John 8:18 I am one that bear witness of myself, and the Father that sent me beareth witness of me.

12. He loved and loves his Son.

John 10:17 Therefore doth my Father love me, because I lay down my life, that I might take it again.

13. He glorified his Son.

John 12:27-28 ¶ Now is my soul troubled; and what shall I say? Father, save me from this hour: but for this cause came I unto this hour. Father, glorify thy name. Then came there a voice from heaven, *saying*, I have both glorified *it*, and will glorify *it* again.

John 17:1 ¶ These words spake Jesus, and lifted up his eyes to heaven, and said, Father, the hour is come; glorify thy Son, that thy Son also may glorify thee:

John 17:5 And now, O Father, glorify thou me with thine own self with the glory which I had with thee before the world was.

14. He taught his Son.

John 8:28 Then said Jesus unto them, When ye have lifted up the Son of man, then shall ye know that I am *he*, and *that* I do nothing of myself; but as my Father hath taught me, I speak these things.

15. He anointed his Son.

Luke 4:16-21 And he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up: and, as his custom was, he went into the synagogue on the sabbath day, and stood up for to read. And there was delivered unto him the book of the prophet Esaias. And when he had opened the book, he found the place where it was written, The Spirit of the Lord *is* upon me, because he hath anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor; he hath sent me to heal the brokenhearted, to preach deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised, To preach the acceptable year of the Lord. And he closed the book, and he gave *it* again to the minister, and sat down. And the eyes of all them that were in the synagogue were fastened on him. And he began to say unto them, This day is this scripture fulfilled in your ears.

John 3:34. For he whom God hath sent speaketh the words of God: for God giveth not the Spirit by measure unto him.

16. He delighted in his Son.

Isaiah 42:1. ¶ Behold my servant, whom I uphold; mine elect, in whom my soul delighteth; I have put my spirit upon him: he shall bring forth judgment to the Gentiles.

Matthew 3:17. And lo a voice from heaven, saying, This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.

Matthew 17:5. While he yet spake, behold, a bright cloud overshadowed them: and behold a voice out of the cloud, which said, This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased; hear ye him.

2 Peter 1:17. For he received from God the Father honour and glory, when there came such a voice to him from the excellent glory, This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.

17. He listened to his Son.

John 11:41-42 Then they took away the stone *from the place* where the dead was laid. And Jesus lifted up *his* eyes, and said, Father, I thank thee that thou hast heard me. And I knew that thou hearest me always: but because of the people which stand by I said *it*, that they may believe that thou hast sent me.

John 12:27-28 ¶ Now is my soul troubled; and what shall I say? Father, save me from this hour: but for this cause came I unto this hour. Father, glorify thy name. Then came there a voice from heaven, *saying*, I have both glorified *it*, and will glorify *it* again.

Matthew 26:52-53 Then said Jesus unto him, Put up again thy sword into his place: for all they that take the sword shall perish with the sword. Thinkest thou that I cannot now pray to my Father, and he shall presently give me more than twelve legions of angels?

18. He offered his Son.

John 18:11 Then said Jesus unto Peter, Put up thy sword into the sheath: the cup which my Father hath given me, shall I not drink it?

Romans 8:32. He that spared not his own Son, but delivered him up for us all, how shall he not with him also freely give us all things?

1 John 4:9-10. In this was manifested the love of God toward us, because that God sent his only begotten Son into the world, that we might live through him. Herein is love, not that we loved God, but that he loved us, and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins.

19. He was totally satisfied by his Son.

John 8:29 And he that sent me is with me: the Father hath not left me alone; for I do always those things that please him.

20. He raised his Son.

Galatians 1:1. ¶ Paul, an apostle, (not of men, neither by man, but by Jesus Christ, and God the Father, who raised him from the dead;)

Ephesians 1:20. Which he wrought in Christ, when he raised him from the dead, and set him at his own right hand in the heavenly places,

21. He exalts his Son.

Philippians 2:9-11. Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him, and given him a name which is above every name: That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth; And that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Ephesians 1:21. Far above all principality, and power, and might, and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this world, but also in that which is to come:

22. He makes his Son head of the Church.

Ephesians 1:22. And hath put all things under his feet, and gave him to be the head over all things to the church,

23. He commits judgment unto his Son.

John 3:35. The Father loveth the Son, and hath given all things into his hand.

John 5:22 For the Father judgeth no man, but hath committed all judgment unto the Son:

John 5:27 And hath given him authority to execute judgment also, because he is the Son of man.

24. He is the Father of all believers.

Matthew 6:9 ¶ After this manner therefore pray ye: Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name.

25. He foreknew the believers.

Romans 8:29. ¶ For whom he did foreknow, he also did predestinate to be conformed to the image of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brethren.

1 Peter 1:2. Elect according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, through sanctification of the Spirit, unto obedience and sprinkling of the blood of Jesus Christ: Grace unto you, and peace, be multiplied.

26. He predestinated the believers.

Romans 8:29. ¶ For whom he did foreknow, he also did predestinate to be conformed to the image of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brethren.

1 Peter 1:2. Elect according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, through sanctification of the Spirit, unto obedience and sprinkling of the blood of Jesus Christ: Grace unto you, and peace, be multiplied.

Acts 13:48. And when the Gentiles heard this, they were glad, and glorified the word of the Lord: and as many as were ordained to eternal life believed.

27. He elected the believers.

Ephesians 1:4. According as he hath chosen us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before him in love:

2 Thessalonians 2:13. ¶ But we are bound to give thanks alway to God for you, brethren beloved of the Lord, because God hath from the beginning chosen you to salvation through sanctification of the Spirit and belief of the truth:

1 Peter 1:1-2. ¶ Peter, an apostle of Jesus Christ, to the strangers scattered throughout Pontus, Galatia, Cappadocia, Asia, and Bithynia, Elect according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, through sanctification of the Spirit, unto obedience and sprinkling of the blood of Jesus Christ: Grace unto you, and peace, be multiplied.

1 Peter 2:9. But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light:

28. He gave all the elected believers to Christ.

John 6:37 All that the Father giveth me shall come to me; and him that cometh to me I will in no wise cast out.

John 6:44 No man can come to me, except the Father which hath sent me draw him: and I will raise him up at the last day.

John 10:29 My Father, which gave *them* me, is greater than all; and no *man* is able to pluck *them* out of my Father's hand.

John 13:3. Jesus knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he was come from God, and went to God;

29. He called the believers.

Romans 8:30. Moreover whom he did predestinate, them he also called: and whom he called, them he also justified: and whom he justified, them he also glorified.

30. He conforms the believers to the image of Christ.

Romans 8:29. ¶ For whom he did foreknow, he also did predestinate to be conformed to the image of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brethren.

31. He redeemed the believers.

Ephesians 1:7. In whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace;

32. He justified the believers.

Romans 8:33. Who shall lay any thing to the charge of God's elect? It is God that justifieth.

33. He indwells the believers.

John 14:23. Jesus answered and said unto him, If a man love me, he will keep my words: and my Father will love him, and we will come unto him, and make our abode with him.

34. He sealed the believers with the Holy Spirit.

Ephesians 1:13. In whom ye also trusted, after that ye heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation: in whom also after that ye believed, ye were sealed with that holy Spirit of promise,

Ephesians 4:30. And grieve not the holy Spirit of God, whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption.

35. He keeps the believers.

John 10:29 My Father, which gave *them* me, is greater than all; and no *man* is able to pluck *them* out of my Father's hand.

John 17:11 ¶ And now I am no more in the world, but these are in the world, and I come to thee. Holy Father, keep through thine own name those whom thou hast given me, that they may be one, as we *are*.

36. He honors the believers.

John 12:26 If any man serve me, let him follow me; and where I am, there shall also my servant be: if any man serve me, him will *my* Father honour.

37. He blesses the believers.

Ephesians 1:3. ¶ Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ:

38. He loves the believers.

2 Thessalonians 2:16. ¶ Now our Lord Jesus Christ himself, and God, even our Father, which hath loved us, and hath given us everlasting consolation and good hope through grace,

John 14:21 He that hath my commandments, and keepeth them, he it is that loveth me: and he that loveth me shall be loved of my Father, and I will love him, and will manifest myself to him.

39. He comforts the believers.

2 Corinthians 1:3. ¶ Blessed be God, even the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies, and the God of all comfort;

Revelation 21:4. And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away.

2 Thessalonians 2:16. ¶ Now our Lord Jesus Christ himself, and God, even our Father, which hath loved us, and hath given us everlasting consolation and good hope through grace,

40. He sanctifies the believers.

Jude 1. ¶ Jude, the servant of Jesus Christ, and brother of James, to them that are sanctified by God the Father, and preserved in Jesus Christ, and called:

John 17:17 ¶ Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth.

41. He bestows peace upon believers.

Romans 1:7. To all that be in Rome, beloved of God, called to be saints: Grace to you and peace from God our Father, and the Lord Jesus Christ.

1 Corinthians 1:3. Grace be unto you, and peace, from God our Father, and from the Lord Jesus Christ.

Galatians 1:3. Grace be to you and peace from God the Father, and from our Lord Jesus Christ,

Ephesians 1:2. Grace be to you, and peace, from God our Father, and from the Lord Jesus Christ.

Philippians 1:2. Grace be unto you, and peace, from God our Father, and from the Lord Jesus Christ.

Colossians 1:2. To the saints and faithful brethren in Christ which are at Colosse: Grace be unto you, and peace, from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

1 Thessalonians 1:1-2 ¶ Paul, and Silvanus, and Timotheus, unto the church of the Thessalonians which is in God the Father and in the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace be unto you, and peace, from God our Father, and the Lord Jesus Christ. ¶ We give thanks to God always for you all, making mention of you in our prayers;

Titus 1:4. To Titus, mine own son after the common faith: Grace, mercy, and peace, from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ our Saviour.

42. He is glorified when believers bear fruit.

John 15:8 Herein is my Father glorified, that ye bear much fruit; so shall ye be my disciples.

43. He reveals truth to believers.

Matthew 11:25 ¶ At that time Jesus answered and said, I thank thee, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because thou hast hid these things from the wise and prudent, and hast revealed them unto babes.

Matthew 16:17 And Jesus answered and said unto him, Blessed art thou, Simon Bar-jona: for flesh and blood hath not revealed *it* unto thee, but my Father which is in heaven.

Luke 10:21 In that hour Jesus rejoiced in spirit, and said, I thank thee, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that thou hast hid these things from the wise and prudent, and hast revealed them unto babes: even so, Father; for so it seemed good in thy sight.

Ephesians 1:17. That the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give unto you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of him:

44. He supplies the needs of believers.

Matthew 6:32-33 (For after all these things do the Gentiles seek:) for your heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things. But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.

Ephesians 4:19. Who being past feeling have given themselves over unto lasciviousness, to work all uncleanness with greediness.

45. He seeks the worship of believers.

John 4:23 But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him.

46. He chastens believers.

Hebrews 12:5-10. And ye have forgotten the exhortation which speaketh unto you as unto children, My son, despise not thou the chastening of the Lord, nor faint when thou art rebuked of him: For whom the Lord loveth he chasteneth, and scourgeth every son whom he receiveth. If ye endure chastening,

God dealeth with you as with sons; for what son is he whom the father chasteneth not? But if ye be without chastisement, whereof all are partakers, then are ye bastards, and not sons. Furthermore we have had fathers of our flesh which corrected us, and we gave them reverence: shall we not much rather be in subjection unto the Father of spirits, and live? For they verily for a few days chastened us after their own pleasure; but he for our profit, that we might be partakers of his holiness.

47. He restores the believers.

Psalms 23:3. He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

Psalms 51:12. Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation; and uphold me with thy free spirit.

Luke 15:21-24 And the son said unto him, Father, I have sinned against heaven, and in thy sight, and am no more worthy to be called thy son. But the father said to his servants, Bring forth the best robe, and put *it* on him; and put a ring on his hand, and shoes on *his* feet: And bring hither the fatted calf, and kill *it*; and let us eat, and be merry: For this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found. And they began to be merry.

48. He will someday gather all believers in Christ.

Ephesians 1:10. That in the dispensation of the fulness of times he might gather together in one all things in Christ, both which are in heaven, and which are on earth; even in him:

49. He will someday reward all believers.

Matthew 6:1 ¶ Take heed that ye do not your alms before men, to be seen of them: otherwise ye have no reward of your Father which is in heaven.

Hebrews 11:6. But without faith it is impossible to please him: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him.

2 Timothy 4:8. Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing.

50. He will someday glorify all believers.

Romans 8:30. Moreover whom he did predestinate, them he also called: and whom he called, them he also justified: and whom he justified, them he also glorified.

Things God, the Father Sees and Knows

1. He sees all things.

Proverbs 15:3. ¶ The eyes of the LORD are in every place, beholding the evil and the good.

2. He knows the size and scope of the universe.

Psalms 147:4. He telleth the number of the stars; he calleth them all by their names.

3. He knows about animal creation.

Matthew 10:29 Are not two sparrows sold for a farthing? and one of them shall not fall on the ground without your Father.

4. He knows mankind.

Matthew 10:30 But the very hairs of your head are all numbered.

5. He knows our thoughts.

Psalms 139:2. Thou knowest my downsitting and mine uprising, thou understandest my thought afar off.

Psalms 44:21. Shall not God search this out? for he knoweth the secrets of the heart.

6. He knows our words.

Psalms 139:4. For there is not a word in my tongue, but, lo, O LORD, thou knowest it altogether.

7. He knows our deeds.

Psalms 139:2. Thou knowest my downsitting and mine uprising, thou understandest my thought afar off.

8. He knows our sorrows.

Exodus 3:7. ¶ And the LORD said, I have surely seen the affliction of my people which are in Egypt, and have heard their cry by reason of their taskmasters; for I know their sorrows;

9. He knows our needs.

Matthew 6:32 (For after all these things do the Gentiles seek:) for your heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things.

10. He knows our devotions.

Genesis 18:17-19. And the LORD said, Shall I hide from Abraham that thing which I do; Seeing that Abraham shall surely become a great and mighty nation, and all the nations of the earth shall be blessed in him? For I know him, that he will command his children and his household after him, and they shall keep the way of the LORD, to do justice and judgment; that the LORD may bring upon Abraham that which he hath spoken of him.

Genesis 22:11-12. ¶ And the angel of the LORD called unto him out of heaven, and said, Abraham, Abraham: and he said, Here am I. And he said, Lay not thine hand upon the lad, neither do thou any thing unto him: for now I know that thou fearest God, seeing thou hast not withheld thy son, thine only son from me.

2 Chronicles 16:9. For the eyes of the LORD run to and fro throughout the whole earth, to shew himself strong in the behalf of them whose heart is perfect toward him. Herein thou hast done foolishly: therefore from henceforth thou shalt have wars.

11. He knows our frailties,

Psalm 103:14. For he knoweth our frame; he remembereth that we are dust.

12. He knows our foolishness.

Psalm 69:5. O God, thou knowest my foolishness; and my sins are not hid from thee.

13. He knows his own.

John 10:14 I am the good shepherd, and know my *sheep*, and am known of mine.

2 Timothy 2:19. ¶ Nevertheless the foundation of God standeth sure, having this seal, The Lord knoweth them that are his. And, Let every one that nameth the name of Christ depart from iniquity.

14. He knows the past, present, and future.

Acts 15:18 Known unto God are all his works from the beginning of the world.

15. He knows what might or could have been.

Matthew 11:23 And thou, Capernaum, which art exalted unto heaven, shalt be brought down to hell: for if the mighty works, which have been done in thee, had been done in Sodom, it would have remained until this day.

The Character of our Heavenly Father

Our Heavenly Father Is a Spirit

John 4:24 *God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth.*

2 Corinthians 3:17. Now the Lord is that Spirit: and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty.

Is declared to be Light.

Isaiah 60:19. The sun shall be no more thy light by day; neither for brightness shall the moon give light unto thee: but the LORD shall be unto thee an everlasting light, and thy God thy glory.

James 1:17. Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning.

1 John 1:5. ¶ This then is the message which we have heard of him, and declare unto you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all.

Love.

1 John 4:8. He that loveth not knoweth not God; for God is love.

1 John 4:16. And we have known and believed the love that God hath to us. God is love; and he that dwelleth in love dwelleth in God, and God in him.

Invisible.

Job 23:8-9. ¶ Behold, I go forward, but he is not there; and backward, but I cannot perceive him: On the left hand, where he doth work, but I cannot behold him: he hideth himself on the right hand, that I cannot see him:

John 1:18. No man hath seen God at any time; the only begotten Son, which is in the bosom of the Father, he hath declared him.

John 5:37 *And the Father himself, which hath sent me, hath borne witness of me. Ye have neither heard his voice at any time, nor seen his shape.*

Colossians 1:15. Who is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of every creature:

1 Timothy 1:17. Now unto the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only wise God, be honour and glory for ever and ever. Amen.

Unsearchable.

Job 11:7. ¶ Canst thou by searching find out God? canst thou find out the Almighty unto perfection?

Job 37:23. Touching the Almighty, we cannot find him out: he is excellent in power, and in judgment, and in plenty of justice: he will not afflict.

Psalms 145:3. Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised; and his greatness is unsearchable.

Isaiah 40:28. Hast thou not known? hast thou not heard, that the everlasting God, the LORD, the Creator of the ends of the earth, fainteth not, neither is weary? there is no searching of his understanding.

Romans 11:33. ¶ O the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God! how unsearchable are his judgments, and his ways past finding out!

Incarnate.

Romans 1:23. And changed the glory of the incorruptible God into an image made like to corruptible man, and to birds, and fourfooted beasts, and creeping things.

Eternal.

Deuteronomy 33:27. The eternal God is thy refuge, and underneath are the everlasting arms: and he shall thrust out the enemy from before thee; and shall say, Destroy them.

Psalms 90:2. Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever thou hadst formed the earth and the world, even from everlasting to everlasting, thou art God.

Revelation 4:8-10. ¶ And the four beasts had each of them six wings about him; and they were full of eyes within: and they rest not day and night, saying, Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty, which was, and is, and is to come. And when those beasts give glory and honour and thanks to him that sat on the throne, who liveth for ever and ever, The four and twenty elders fall down before him that sat on the throne, and worship him that liveth for ever and ever, and cast their crowns before the throne, saying,

Immortal.

1 Timothy 1:17. Now unto the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only wise God, be honour and glory for ever and ever. Amen.

1 Timothy 6:16. Who only hath immortality, dwelling in the light which no man can approach unto; whom no man hath seen, nor can see: to whom be honour and power everlasting. Amen.

Omnipotent.

Genesis 17:1. ¶ And when Abram was ninety years old and nine, the LORD appeared to Abram, and said unto him, I am the Almighty God; walk before me, and be thou perfect.

Exodus 6:3. And I appeared unto Abraham, unto Isaac, and unto Jacob, by the name of God Almighty, but by my name JEHOVAH was I not known to them.

Omniscient.

Psalms 139:1-6. ¶ To the chief Musician, A Psalm of David. O LORD, thou hast searched me, and known me. Thou knowest my downsitting and mine uprising, thou understandest my thought afar off. Thou compasses my path and my lying down, and art acquainted with all my ways. For there is not a word in my tongue, but, lo, O LORD, thou knowest it altogether. Thou hast beset me behind and before, and laid thine hand upon me. Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is high, I cannot attain unto it.

Proverbs 5:21. For the ways of man are before the eyes of the LORD, and he pondereth all his goings.

Omnipresent.

Psalms 139:7. ¶ Whither shall I go from thy spirit? or whither shall I flee from thy presence?

Jeremiah 23:23. Am I a God at hand, saith the LORD, and not a God afar off?

Immutable.

Psalms 102:26-27. They shall perish, but thou shalt endure: yea, all of them shall wax old like a garment; as a vesture shalt thou change them, and they shall be changed: But thou art the same, and thy years shall have no end.

James 1:17. Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning.

Only-wise.

Romans 16:27. To God only wise, be glory through Jesus Christ for ever. Amen. Written to the Romans from Corinthus, and sent by Phebe servant of the church at Cenchrea.

1 Timothy 1:17. Now unto the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only wise God, be honour and glory for ever and ever. Amen.

Glorious.

Exodus 15:11. Who is like unto thee, O LORD, among the gods? who is like thee, glorious in holiness, fearful in praises, doing wonders?

Psalms 145:5. I will speak of the glorious honour of thy majesty, and of thy wondrous works.

Most High.

Psalms 83:18. That men may know that thou, whose name alone is JEHOVAH, art the most high over all the earth.

Acts 7:48. Howbeit the most High dwelleth not in temples made with hands; as saith the prophet,

Perfect.

Matthew 5:48 *Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect.*

Holy.

Psalms 99:9. Exalt the LORD our God, and worship at his holy hill; for the LORD our God is holy.

Isaiah 5:16. But the LORD of hosts shall be exalted in judgment, and God that is holy shall be sanctified in righteousness.

Just.

Deuteronomy 32:4. He is the Rock, his work is perfect: for all his ways are judgment: a God of truth and without iniquity, just and right is he.

Isaiah 45:21. Tell ye, and bring them near; yea, let them take counsel together: who hath declared this from ancient time? who hath told it from that time? have not I the LORD? and there is no God else beside me; a just God and a Saviour; there is none beside me.

True.

Jeremiah 10:10. But the LORD is the true God, he is the living God, and an everlasting king: at his wrath the earth shall tremble, and the nations shall not be able to abide his indignation.

John 17:3 *And this is life eternal, that they might know thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom thou hast sent.*

Upright.

Psalms 25:8. ¶ Good and upright is the LORD: therefore will he teach sinners in the way.

Psalms 92:15. To shew that the LORD is upright: he is my rock, and there is no unrighteousness in him.

Righteous.

Ezra 9:15. O LORD God of Israel, thou art righteous: for we remain yet escaped, as it is this day: behold, we are before thee in our trespasses: for we cannot stand before thee because of this.

Psalms 145:17. The LORD is righteous in all his ways, and holy in all his works.

Good.

Psalms 25:8. ¶ Good and upright is the LORD: therefore will he teach sinners in the way.

Psalms 119:68. ¶ Thou art good, and doest good; teach me thy statutes.

Great.

2 Chronicles 2:5. And the house which I build is great: for great is our God above all gods.

Psalms 86:10. For thou art great, and doest wondrous things: thou art God alone.

Gracious.

Exodus 34:6. And the LORD passed by before him, and proclaimed, The LORD, The LORD God, merciful and gracious, longsuffering, and abundant in goodness and truth,

Psalms 116:5. Gracious is the LORD, and righteous; yea, our God is merciful.

Faithful.

1 Corinthians 10:13. There hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to man: but God is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear it.

1 Peter 4:19. Wherefore let them that suffer according to the will of God commit the keeping of their souls to him in well doing, as unto a faithful Creator.

Merciful.

Exodus 34:6-7. And the LORD passed by before him, and proclaimed, The LORD, The LORD God, merciful and gracious, longsuffering, and abundant in goodness and truth, Keeping mercy for thousands, forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin, and that will by no means clear the guilty; visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children, and upon the children's children, unto the third and to the fourth generation.

Psalms 86:5. For thou, Lord, art good, and ready to forgive; and plenteous in mercy unto all them that call upon thee.

Long-suffering.

Numbers 14:18. The LORD is longsuffering, and of great mercy, forgiving iniquity and transgression, and by no means clearing the guilty, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation.

Micah 7:1. ¶ Woe is me! for I am as when they have gathered the summer fruits, as the grape gleanings of the vintage: there is no cluster to eat: my soul desired the firstripe fruit.

Jealous.

Joshua 24:19. And Joshua said unto the people, Ye cannot serve the LORD: for he is an holy God; he is a jealous God; he will not forgive your transgressions nor your sins.

Nahum 1:2. ¶ God is jealous, and the LORD revengeth; the LORD revengeth, and is furious; the LORD will take vengeance on his adversaries, and he reserveth wrath for his enemies.

Compassionate.

2 Kings 13:23. And the LORD was gracious unto them, and had compassion on them, and had respect unto them, because of his covenant with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, and would not destroy them, neither cast he them from his presence as yet.

A consuming fire.

Hebrews 12:29. For our God is a consuming fire.

None beside him.

Deuteronomy 4:35. Unto thee it was shewed, that thou mightest know that the LORD he is God; there is none else beside him.

Isaiah 44:6. Thus saith the LORD the King of Israel, and his redeemer the LORD of hosts; I am the first, and I am the last; and beside me there is no God.

None before him.

Isaiah 43:10. Ye are my witnesses, saith the LORD, and my servant whom I have chosen: that ye may know and believe me, and understand that I am he: before me there was no God formed, neither shall there be after me.

None like him.

Exodus 9:14. For I will at this time send all my plagues upon thine heart, and upon thy servants, and upon thy people; that thou mayest know that there is none like me in all the earth.

Deuteronomy 33:26. ¶ There is none like unto the God of Jeshurun, who rideth upon the heaven in thy help, and in his excellency on the sky.

2 Samuel 7:22. Wherefore thou art great, O LORD God: for there is none like thee, neither is there any God beside thee, according to all that we have heard with our ears.

Isaiah 46:5. ¶ To whom will ye liken me, and make me equal, and compare me, that we may be like?

Isaiah 46:9. Remember the former things of old: for I am God, and there is none else; I am God, and there is none like me,

Jeremiah 10:6. Forasmuch as there is none like unto thee, O LORD; thou art great, and thy name is great in might.

None good but he.

Matthew 19:17 And he said unto him, *Why callest thou me good? there is none good but one, that is, God: but if thou wilt enter into life, keep the commandments.*

Fills heaven and earth.

1 Kings 8:27. But will God indeed dwell on the earth? behold, the heaven and heaven of heavens cannot contain thee; how much less this house that I have builded?

Jeremiah 23:24. Can any hide himself in secret places that I shall not see him? saith the LORD. Do not I fill heaven and earth? saith the LORD.

Should be worshiped in spirit and in truth.

John 4:24 God *is* a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship *him* in spirit and in truth.

God Is Spirit

1. God is Spirit.

Emory Bancroft has written:

“God as Spirit is incorporeal, invisible, without material substance, without physical parts or passions and therefore free from all temporal limitations.” (Elemental Theory, p. 23)

*Jesus made this clear when he told the Samaritan woman: “**God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth.**” (John 4:24). Some have been disturbed, however, as they compare this statement with certain Old Testament expressions which speak of God’s arms (Deuteronomy 33:27), his eyes (Psalm 33:18), ears (2 Kings 19:16), and mouth (Isaiah 58:14). However, these terms are simply anthropomorphic expressions. An anthropomorphic expression is a term which is used to explain some function or characteristic of God by using words descriptive of human elements. Robert Lightner writes: “Such expressions do not mean that God possesses these physical parts. He is Spirit (John 4:24). Rather, they mean since God is spirit and eternal, He is capable of doing precisely the functions which are performed by these physical properties in man.” (The God of the Bible, p. 67)*

2. God is a Person.

Again, to quote from Robert Lightner:

“Personality involves existence with the power of self-consciousness and self-determination. To be self-conscious means to be able to be aware of one’s self among others. It is more than mere consciousness. Even animals possess something which makes them aware of things around them. The brute, however, is not able to objectify himself. Man, in contrast to the brute, possesses both consciousness and self-consciousness. Self-determination has to do with the ability to look to the future and prepare an intelligent course of action. It also involves the power of choice. The brute also has determination, but he does not have self-determination — the power to act from his own free will and to thus determine his acts. It is usually admitted that there are three elements of personality — intellect, emotion, and will.” (The God of the Bible, p. 65)

Thus, as a Person, God exhibits all those elements involved in personality.

He creates.

Genesis 1:1. ¶ In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth.

He destroys.

Genesis 18:20. And the LORD said, Because the cry of Sodom and Gomorrah is great, and because their sin is very grievous;

Genesis 19:24-25. ¶ Then the LORD rained upon Sodom and upon Gomorrah brimstone and fire from the LORD out of heaven; And he overthrew those cities, and all the plain, and all the inhabitants of the cities, and that which grew upon the ground.

He provides.

Psalms 104:27-30. These wait all upon thee; that thou mayest give them their meat in due season. That thou givest them they gather: thou openest thine hand, they are filled with good. Thou hidest thy face, they are troubled: thou takest away their breath, they die, and return to their dust. Thou sendest forth thy spirit, they are created: and thou renewest the face of the earth.

He promotes.

Psalms 75:6-7. ¶ For promotion cometh neither from the east, nor from the west, nor from the south. But God is the judge: he putteth down one, and setteth up another.

He cares.

1 Peter 5:6-7. Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, that he may exalt you in due time: Casting all your care upon him; for he careth for you.

He hears.

Psalms 94:9-10. He that planted the ear, shall he not hear? he that formed the eye, shall he not see? He that chastiseth the heathen, shall not he correct? he that teacheth man knowledge, shall not he know?

He hates.

Proverbs 6:16. These six things doth the LORD hate: yea, seven are an abomination unto him:

He grieves.

Genesis 6:6. ¶ And it repented the LORD that he had made man on the earth, and it grieved him at his heart.

He loves.

John 3:16 For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

3. God is One.

Deuteronomy 6:4-5. ¶ Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God is one LORD: And thou shalt love the LORD thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy might.

1 Kings 8:60. That all the people of the earth may know that the LORD is God, and that there is none else.

Isaiah 44:6-8. Thus saith the LORD the King of Israel, and his redeemer the LORD of hosts; I am the first, and I am the last; and beside me there is no God. And who, as I, shall call, and shall declare it, and set it in order for me, since I appointed the ancient people? and the things that are coming, and shall come, let them shew unto them. Fear ye not, neither be afraid: have not I told thee from that time, and have declared it? ye are even my witnesses. Is there a God beside me? yea, there is no God; I know not any.

Isaiah 45:5-6. ¶ I am the LORD, and there is none else, there is no God beside me: I girded thee, though thou hast not known me: That they may know from the rising of the sun, and from the west, that there is none beside me. I am the LORD, and there is none else.

Isaiah 46:9. Remember the former things of old: for I am God, and there is none else; I am God, and there is none like me,

Ephesians 4:4-6. There is one body, and one Spirit, even as ye are called in one hope of your calling; One Lord, one faith, one baptism, One God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all.

1 Timothy 2:5. For there is one God, and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus;

God and his goodness

Psalms 25:8. ¶ Good and upright is the LORD: therefore will he teach sinners in the way.

James 1:17. Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning.

God is the source of goodness. In the lives of Christians God works for good. Romans 8:28 states that "God causes all things to work together for good to those who love God, to those who are called according to His purpose."

God and his grace

Psalms 145:17. The LORD is righteous in all his ways, and holy in all his works.

Romans 1:5. By whom we have received grace and apostleship, for obedience to the faith among all nations, for his name:

Romans 3:24. Being justified freely by his grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus:

Romans 5:15. But not as the offence, so also is the free gift. For if through the offence of one many be dead, much more the grace of God, and the gift by grace, which is by one man, Jesus Christ, hath abounded unto many.

Romans 5:20. Moreover the law entered, that the offence might abound. But where sin abounded, grace did much more abound:

Ephesians 4:7. But unto every one of us is given grace according to the measure of the gift of Christ.

Hebrews 4:16. Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need.

Grace is the bestowal of blessing unearned or unmerited. When we speak of God's grace, we speak of those wonderful gifts (e.g., salvation) that no one deserves but God grants anyway. There are several ways in which God demonstrates His grace to us.

God and his holiness

Psalms 99:2. The LORD is great in Zion; and he is high above all the people.

Psalms 99:2-3. The LORD is great in Zion; and he is high above all the people. Let them praise thy great and terrible name; for it is holy.

Revelation 4:8. ¶ And the four beasts had each of them six wings about him; and they were full of eyes within: and they rest not day and night, saying, Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty, which was, and is, and is to come.

Holiness is synonymous with God's total purity and separation from the rest of creation. God's holiness sets him apart from sinful humans. God's holiness is closely linked to Jesus' first coming. It is only as a result of our salvation that we, as forgiven people, are able to approach God in his perfect holiness.

God and his immanence

Jeremiah 23:23-24. Am I a God at hand, saith the LORD, and not a God afar off? Can any hide himself in secret places that I shall not see him? saith the LORD. Do not I fill heaven and earth? saith the LORD.

Acts 17:27-28. That they should seek the Lord, if haply they might feel after him, and find him, though he be not far from every one of us: For in him we live, and move, and have our being; as certain also of your own poets have said, For we are also his offspring.

Haggai 2:5. According to the word that I covenanted with you when ye came out of Egypt, so my spirit remaineth among you: fear ye not.

Immanence describes a God who is close at hand. God is at work through the countless details of his creation. The Christian God is no absentee landlord. He is present and actively participates in his world. For this reason Christians know that there is no place or situation that is not under God's protecting hand.

God and his immutability

Malachi 3:6 For I am the LORD, I change not; therefore ye sons of Jacob are not consumed.

James 1:17. Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning.

God's immutability is a great source of comfort for the believer. God's immutability means that God does not change his mind, his characteristics, his plan, or anything else about himself. God's character never changes and nor do his covenants, his prophecies, or his promises. God is therefore utterly dependable.

God and his eternal nature

Exodus 3:14. And God said unto Moses, I AM THAT I AM: and he said, Thus shalt thou say unto the children of Israel, I AM hath sent me unto you.

Psalms 102:12. ¶ But thou, O LORD, shalt endure for ever; and thy remembrance unto all generations.

God and his love

Deuteronomy 7:7-8 The LORD did not set his love upon you, nor choose you, because ye were more in number than any people; for ye were the fewest of all people: But because the LORD loved you, and because he would keep the oath which he had sworn unto your fathers, hath the LORD brought you out with a mighty hand, and redeemed you out of the house of bondmen, from the hand of Pharaoh king of Egypt.

John 14:31 But that the world may know that I love the Father; and as the Father gave me commandment, even so I do. Arise, let us go hence.

Romans 5:5. And hope maketh not ashamed; because the love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost which is given unto us.

Romans 5:8. But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.

Romans 8:35. Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?

Romans 8:39. Nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

1 John 4:8. He that loveth not knoweth not God; for God is love.

1 John 4:16. And we have known and believed the love that God hath to us. God is love; and he that dwelleth in love dwelleth in God, and God in him.

We all have a basic understanding of what love is, but we are unable to comprehend the depths of true love. This is the love that God embodies. God is the source of love and it is through him that we experience love. God loves us. In spite of who we are God still loves us.

God and his mercy

Psalms 6:4. Return, O LORD, deliver my soul: oh save me for thy mercies' sake.

Hebrews 4:16. Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need.

Romans 9:23-24. And that he might make known the riches of his glory on the vessels of mercy, which he had afore prepared unto glory, Even us, whom he hath called, not of the Jews only, but also of the Gentiles?

Ephesians 2:4. ¶ But God, who is rich in mercy, for his great love wherewith he loved us,

Titus 3:5. Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to his mercy he saved us, by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Ghost;

1 Peter 1:3. ¶ Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which according to his abundant mercy hath begotten us again unto a lively hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,

Mercy is when what is deserved is withheld so that this benefits the person in question. We deserved to receive punishment for our sins, but because of God's mercy, we have received forgiveness instead.

God and his omnipotence

Romans 11:36. For of him, and through him, and to him, are all things: to whom be glory for ever. Amen.

Ephesians 1:11. In whom also we have obtained an inheritance, being predestinated according to the purpose of him who worketh all things after the counsel of his own will:

Hebrews 1:3. Who being the brightness of his glory, and the express image of his person, and upholding all things by the word of his power, when he had by himself purged our sins, sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high;

Mark 14:36 And he said, *Abba, Father, all things are possible unto thee; take away this cup from me: nevertheless not what I will, but what thou wilt.*

Jeremiah 32:17 Ah Lord GOD! behold, thou hast made the heaven and the earth by thy great power and stretched out arm, *and* there is nothing too hard for thee:

Matthew 19:26 But Jesus beheld *them*, and said unto them, *With men this is impossible; but with God all things are possible.*

Psalms 115:3. But our God is in the heavens: he hath done whatsoever he hath pleased.

God has the unlimited power to accomplish anything that can be accomplished — this is known as omnipotence. The things God does are neither difficult nor easy for God; they are only either done or not done. God has the power to accomplish everything he desires to do.

God and his justice

Genesis 18:25. That be far from thee to do after this manner, to slay the righteous with the wicked: and that the righteous should be as the wicked, that be far from thee: Shall not the Judge of all the earth do right?

Nehemiah 9:33. Howbeit thou art just in all that is brought upon us; for thou hast done right, but we have done wickedly:

Psalms 99:4. The king's strength also loveth judgment; thou dost establish equity, thou executest judgment and righteousness in Jacob.

Romans 1:32. Who knowing the judgment of God, that they which commit such things are worthy of death, not only do the same, but have pleasure in them that do them.

1 Peter 1:17. And if ye call on the Father, who without respect of persons judgeth according to every man's work, pass the time of your sojourning here in fear:

Romans 9:14-33. ¶ What shall we say then? *Is there* unrighteousness with God? God forbid. For he saith to Moses, I will have mercy on whom I will have mercy, and I will have compassion on whom I will have compassion. So then *it is* not of him that willeth, nor of him that runneth, but of God that sheweth mercy. For the scripture saith unto Pharaoh, Even for this same purpose have I raised thee up, that I might shew my power in thee, and that my name might be declared throughout all the earth. Therefore hath he mercy on whom he will *have mercy*, and whom he will he hardeneth. Thou wilt say then unto me, Why doth he yet find fault? For who hath resisted his will? Nay but, O man, who art thou that repliest against God? Shall the thing formed say to him that formed *it*, Why hast thou made me thus? Hath not the potter power over the clay, of the same lump to make one vessel unto honour, and another unto dishonour? *What* if God, willing to shew *his* wrath, and to make his power known, endured with much longsuffering the vessels of wrath fitted to destruction: And that he might make known the riches of his glory on the vessels of mercy, which he had afore prepared unto glory, Even us, whom he hath called, not of the Jews only, but also of the Gentiles? ¶ As he saith also in Osee, I will call them my people, which were not my people; and her beloved, which was not beloved. And it shall come to pass, *that* in the place where it was said unto them, Ye *are* not my people; there shall they be called the children of the living God. Esaias also crieth concerning Israel, Though the number of the children of Israel be as the sand of the sea, a remnant shall be saved: For he will finish the work, and cut *it* short in righteousness: because a short work will the Lord make upon the earth. And as Esaias said before, Except the Lord of Sabaoth had left us a seed, we had been as Sodoma, and been made like unto Gomorrha. ¶ What shall we say then? That the Gentiles, which followed not after righteousness, have attained to righteousness, even the righteousness which is of faith. But Israel, which followed after the law of righteousness, hath not attained to the law of righteousness. Wherefore? Because *they sought it* not by faith, but as it were by the works of the law. For they stumbled at that stumblingstone; As it is written, Behold, I lay in Sion a stumblingstone and rock of offence: and whosoever believeth on him shall not be ashamed.

Since God is the God of justice, God is the ultimate judge over the lives and actions of men. There seems to be so much injustice in the world. People lie, cheat, steal, and kill all the time and, so often it seems they do this with total impunity. That is how it is on this earth. But on the day of judgment everyone will receive his just deserts at the hands of an immutable God. Unlike a corrupt human judge, God's justice will be fair and perfect in every respect. God is not open to persuasion or bribes. In God's justice, we can find a comfort for all the wrongs perpetrated against us and against mankind. It is only because of the Christian's faith in Jesus that we need not fear God's justice as we know that we are eternally safe.

God and his omnipresence

Job 11:7-9. ¶ Canst thou by searching find out God? canst thou find out the Almighty unto perfection? It is as high as heaven; what canst thou do? deeper than hell; what canst thou know? The measure thereof is longer than the earth, and broader than the sea.

Jeremiah 23:23-24. Am I a God at hand, saith the LORD, and not a God afar off? Can any hide himself in secret places that I shall not see him? saith the LORD. Do not I fill heaven and earth? saith the LORD.

Psalms 139:7-10. ¶ Whither shall I go from thy spirit? or whither shall I flee from thy presence? If I ascend up into heaven, thou art there: if I make my bed in hell, behold, thou art there. If I take the wings of the morning, and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea; Even there shall thy hand lead me, and thy right hand shall hold me.

Psalms 90:1-2. ¶ A Prayer of Moses the man of God. Lord, thou hast been our dwelling place in all generations. Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever thou hadst formed the earth and the world, even from everlasting to everlasting, thou art God.

Because of God's omnipresence he is present everywhere. There is nowhere we can go to and not be in his presence.

God and his omniscience

Psalms 147:5. Great is our Lord, and of great power: his understanding is infinite.

Ezekiel 11:5. And the Spirit of the LORD fell upon me, and said unto me, Speak; Thus saith the LORD; Thus have ye said, O house of Israel: for I know the things that come into your mind, every one of them.

1 John 3:20. ¶ For if our heart condemn us, God is greater than our heart, and knoweth all things.

Hebrews 4:13. Neither is there any creature that is not manifest in his sight: but all things are naked and opened unto the eyes of him with whom we have to do.

Romans 2:16. In the day when God shall judge the secrets of men by Jesus Christ according to my gospel.

When we say God is omniscient, we mean that he knows all that there is to know. There is nothing that is outside the scope of his conception, or understanding.

God and his self-existence

Exodus 3:14. And God said unto Moses, I AM THAT I AM: and he said, Thus shalt thou say unto the children of Israel, I AM hath sent me unto you.

Psalms 90:2. Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever thou hadst formed the earth and the world, even from everlasting to everlasting, thou art God.

John 5:26 For as the Father hath life in himself; so hath he given to the Son to have life in himself;

Colossians 1:15-17. Who is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of every creature: For by him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by him, and for him: And he is before all things, and by him all things consist.

By God's self-existence we mean God's unique attribute through which he has existed eternally and will always exist. Unlike all other things that relate to our existence, God does not owe his being to any other thing. I owe my existence to my mother and father and all my ancestors. All events have causes. All creatures have been created. Except for God. God is the uncaused cause and the uncreated Creator.

God and his sovereignty

Genesis 14:19. And he blessed him, and said, Blessed be Abram of the most high God, possessor of heaven and earth:

Exodus 18:11. Now I know that the LORD is greater than all gods: for in the thing wherein they dealt proudly he was above them.

Psalm 115:3. But our God is in the heavens: he hath done whatsoever he hath pleased.

Matthew 10:29 Are not two sparrows sold for a farthing? and one of them shall not fall on the ground without your Father.

Romans 9:15. For he saith to Moses, I will have mercy on whom I will have mercy, and I will have compassion on whom I will have compassion.

Romans 8:38-39. For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, Nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Sovereignty speaks of God's divine control over everything that happens. There is nothing outside the control of his loving hand. Romans 8:28 tells us that all things work together for the good of God's children and Romans 8:38-39 implies that there is nothing beyond the control of God's sovereign hand. God's sovereignty reminds Christians to fear nothing as God is always in charge, no matter how dreadful the situation.

God and his transcendence

Isaiah 55:8-9. For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, saith the LORD. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts.

Isaiah 57:15. For thus saith the high and lofty One that inhabiteth eternity, whose name is Holy; I dwell in the high and holy place, with him also that is of a contrite and humble spirit, to revive the spirit of the humble, and to revive the heart of the contrite ones.

Psalm 113:5-6. Who is like unto the LORD our God, who dwelleth on high, Who humbleth himself to behold the things that are in heaven, and in the earth!

Transcendence refers to the fact that God is unlike any other being in our experience and so no analogy or comparison can come close to perfectly describing him. His ways are so other than our ways that we cannot predict Him, categorize Him, or comprehend Him with any sort of accuracy.

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